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SUBJ: HIGHLIGHTS OF ZAMBIA PRESS OCT 3

1. FRONT PAGE OF ONLY ZAMBIAN DAILY PUBLISHED ON SUNDAY IS DOMINATED BY STORIES ON NAMIBIA DEBATE AT UN AND BY STATEMENTS MADE BY SITHOLE ON HIS ARRIVAL IN LUSAKA FROM DAR. LESS PROMINENT ARTICLE DISCUSSES POSSIBLE MEETING BETWEEN SMITH AND US ENVOY. INSIDE PAGES OF SUNDAY TIMES FEATURES ARTICLE ENTITLED "WILL KISSINGER TACTICS PAY OFF IN NAMIBIA"

2. EXPEL BUTCHERS OF NAMIBIA, UN TOLD - FONMIN MWALE'S STATEMENTS AT UN DEBATE SATURDAY ARE MAIN SUBSTANCE OF THIS STORY. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, HE MADE STATEMENTS AS FOLLOWS. SECURITY COUNCIL MUST APPLY FULL FORCE OF THE UN CHARTER TO EXPEL RACIST SOUTH AFRICA FROM NAMIBIA. THERE IS EVERY REASON TO JUSTIFY THE INVOCATION OF CHAPTER SEVEN OF THE UN CHARTER. APART FROM THE ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF NAMIBIA, SOUTH AFRICA IS GUILTY OF GENOCIDE AGAINST
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THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA. MASS ARRESTS, DETENTION, MURDER HAVE

BECOME DAILY OCCURENCES. MILITARY BUILD UP IN NAMIBIA HAS PERMITTED ITS USE AS LAUNCHING PAD FOR AGGRESSION AGAINST COUNTRIES LIKE ZAMBIA. NO NAMIBIAN SOLUTION IS POSSIBLE WITHOUT PARTICIPATION OF SWAPO. ANY TALKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA MUST ONLY BE FOR THE PURPOSE OF AGREEING ON THE MODALITIES OF TRANSFER OF POWER. THIS STORY ALSO CARRIES STATEMENT MADE BY KENYAN FOREIGN MINISTER DURING SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE. HE IS QUOTED AS SUGGESTING THE SENDING OF A BUFFER FORCE TO NAMIBIA TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF BLACKS AND ASSERT AUTHORITY OF UN. HE CALLED FOR SANCTIONS AND OTHER COERCIVE MEASURES AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA IF IT REFUSED TO CONVENE CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE UNDER UN AUSPICES. ARTICLE ALSO CARRYS AMBASSADOR BENNETT'S REMARKS ABOUT NEED TO LET PROCESS WHICH IS NOW UNDER WAY IN NAMIBA PRODUCE RESULTS AND US OPPOSITION TO ECONOMIC SANCTIONS.

3. WE ARE SNUBBED BY KISSINGER SAYS SITHOLE - SITHOLE WAS INTERVIEWED ON HIS ARRIVAL IN LUSAKA OCT 2. SUBSTANCE OF HIS COMMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS. CONSTITUTIONAL TALKS SHOULD BE HELD BEFORE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT. ZANU IS UNWILLING TO ACCEPT ANYTHING SHORT OF COMPLETE TRANSFER OF POWER TO SIX MILLION ZIMBABWEANS. SECRETARY KISSINGER DISPLAYED A 19TH CENTURY WHITE MENTALITY BY NOT CONSULTING ALL OF THE NATIONALISTS DURING HIS INITIATIVES. THIS WAS "A TERRIBLE MISTAKE, A FATAL MISTAKE." THE SECRETARY IS TRYING TO DECIDE THE FATE OF PEOPLE WITHOUT CONSULTING THEM, BUT HE DID CONSULT JOHN VORSTER AND IAN SMITH. SITHOLE SAID HE WAS STILL PRESIDENT OF ZANU, AND MUGABE'S PRETENDED LEADERSHIP OF ZANU IS A "STATE OF HARMLESS REBELLION MOTIVATED BY INTENSE PERSONAL AMBITION." ACCEPTANCE OF FORMATION OF AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT BEFORE SECURING THE FUTURE OF THE PEOPLE AT A CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE, WOULD BE THE LEGALIZATION OF UDI. ARTICLE ALSO QUOTES STATEMENTS BY TANZANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER AT UNGA. TANZANIAN SAID FIGHTING IN RHODESIA WOULD BE SHORTENED BY NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT, BUT FIGHT TO ELIMINATE APARTHEID WOULD GO ON UNABATED. THERE CAN BE NO PEACE UNTIL APARTHEID IS COMPLETELY WIPED OUT.

4. BRITAIN, US ENVOYS TO MEET SMITH - ARTICLE, BASED ON REUTER'S REPORTS OUT OF LONDON, STATES BRITAIN AND US WILL SEND ENVOYS TO SALISBURY. HMG FOREIGN OFFICE SPOKESMAN IS QUOTED AS SAYING UNCLASSIFIED

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ENVOYS ARE ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFLE AND MINISTER OF STATE ROWLANDS. ARTICLE POINTS OUT ENVOYS HAVE ALREADY BEEN IN DAR AND MAPUTO AND THAT THEY CONSULTED WITH OTHER AFRICAN LEADERS IN GABORONE.

5. WILL KISSINGER TACTICS PAY OFF IN NAMIBIA - THIS INSIDE ARTICLE IS MORE REASONED THAN OTHERS. IT DESCRIBES SECRETARY'S EFFORTS TO GET VORSTER TO AGREE TO A CONFERENCE ON NAMIBA, HELD OUTSIDE

AFRICA. HOWEVER, ONE SHOULD BE WARY OF SOUTH AFRICANS. GIVEN MINERAL WEALTH OF NAMIBIA, THERE ARE BOUND TO BE SOME CATCHES IN ANY SOLUTION AGREED TO BY SOUTH AFRICA. CHAIRMAN OF TALKS, IF THEY TAKE PLACE, IS LIKELY TO BE ZAMBIA'S PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO UN, MR. DUSTAN KAMANA. ARTICLE LISTS USUAL SWAPO PRECONDITIONS SOUTH AFRICA MUST ACCEPT -- PULL OUT OF ALL ITS FORCES FROM NAMIBIA, RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS, PERMISSION FOR EXILES TO RETURN, ETC.. LOW

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